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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: David E. Daws et al.

Appln. No.: 10/658,988

Filed: September 9, 2003

For: HARDWARE ASSEMBLY FOR CVI/CVD
PROCESSES

Attorney Docket No: 4865/162

Examiner: Zervigon, Rudy

Art Unit: 1763

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Sir:

Attached is/are:

Reply to Office Action of August 24, 2005 (8p); Trans. Ltr. (1p) in dupl.
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Fee calculation:

No additional fee is required.
 Small Entity.
 An extension fee in an amount of \$_____ for a _____-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
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| Total | | Minus | | | x \$25= | | x \$50= |
| Indep. | | Minus | | | x 100= | | x \$200= |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim | | | | | +\$180= | | +\$360= |
| | | | | | Total | \$ | Total |

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 Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$_____. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
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Respectfully submitted,

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REPLY

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2005, please enter the following amendment and consider the remarks below.